CHAPTER 67-21-08 THE EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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67-21-08-01. Purpose. The emergency food assistance program, initiated at the federal level and in partnership with the states, authorizes the receipt and distribution of commodity foods by state agencies to eligible local emergency feeding organizations.

History: Effective February 1, 2000.

General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 15-54

67-21-08-02. State agency. The department of public instruction has been designated by the United States department of agriculture as the state agency in the state of North Dakota to assist in the implementation, maintenance, and funding of the program.

History: Effective February 1, 2000.

General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02 **Law Implemented:** NDCC 15-54-03; 7 CFR 251.2

67-21-08-03. Use of federal rules and policies. Unless otherwise specified in this chapter, eligibility to participate in the emergency food assistance program is governed by federal rules. The local program shall conform to lawfully issued rules and policies relating to the food distribution program.

History: Effective February 1, 2000.

General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 15-54-03, 15-54-05; 7 CFR 251

67-21-08-04. Availability of commodities. Emergency feeding organizations are eligible to receive commodities that are made available under sections 202 and 214 of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983. The availability and control of donated commodities must be in accordance with section 40 251.4 of the Emergency Food Assistance Act of 1983.

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General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 15-54-03, 15-54-05; 7 CFR 251.4

67-21-08-05. Eligibility. Local agencies and programs eligible for participation in the emergency food assistance program are public and nonprofit private organizations that have entered into an agreement with the department of public instruction to provide nutrition assistance to relieve situations of emergency and distress through the provision of food to needy persons. Emergency feeding organizations include charitable institutions, food banks, hunger centers, soup kitchens, and similar public or private nonprofit eligible recipient agencies.

History: Effective February 1, 2000.

General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 15-54-03, 15-54-05; 7 CFR 251.3

67-21-08-06. Distribution plan. The department of public instruction shall establish an annual commodity distribution plan order under which commodities are allocated to participating emergency feeding organizations on the basis of participation.

History: Effective February 1, 2000.

General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 15-54-03, 15-54-05; 7 CFR 251.6

67-21-08-07. Administrative payments. The department of public instruction shall provide administrative payments to emergency feeding organizations to support expenses associated with the storage and further distribution of commodities. Administrative funds are allocated to participating emergency feeding organizations on the basis of individual participation.

History: Effective February 1, 2000.

General Authority: NDCC 15-54-03, 28-32-02

Law Implemented: NDCC 15-54-03, 15-54-05; 7 CFR 251.8